

2021

SAGE-GROUSE SEASONS & RULES

September 18 – October 31



A Sage-Grouse Tag is now required to hunt sage-grouse in Idaho. A hunter may harvest only as many sage-grouse as he or she has legal tags for in that season.

Sage-grouse tags will be available for purchase at 10AM on August 1, on a first-come, first-served basis until tag quotas are reached. Sage-grouse tags are distributed across twelve hunting zones with a tag quota for each zone. **Hunters must choose a single zone to hunt in and tag purchase is specific to that zone.** A hunter may purchase one sage-grouse tag in any zone. Hunters who select zone 1, 2, 3A, or 3B may purchase up to two tags.

Tags are available at any Fish and Game license vendor, by telephone (1-800-554-8685) or the Fish and Game online license vendor website: gooutdoorsidaho.com.

Identify Your Target! Is it a Sage-grouse or a Sharp-tailed Grouse?

Sage-grouse and sharp-tailed grouse can occur in the same areas in south-central and eastern Idaho. Hunting seasons for these species overlap. The sharp-tailed grouse hunting season is October 1 to October 31.

BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET



Sharp-tailed Grouse

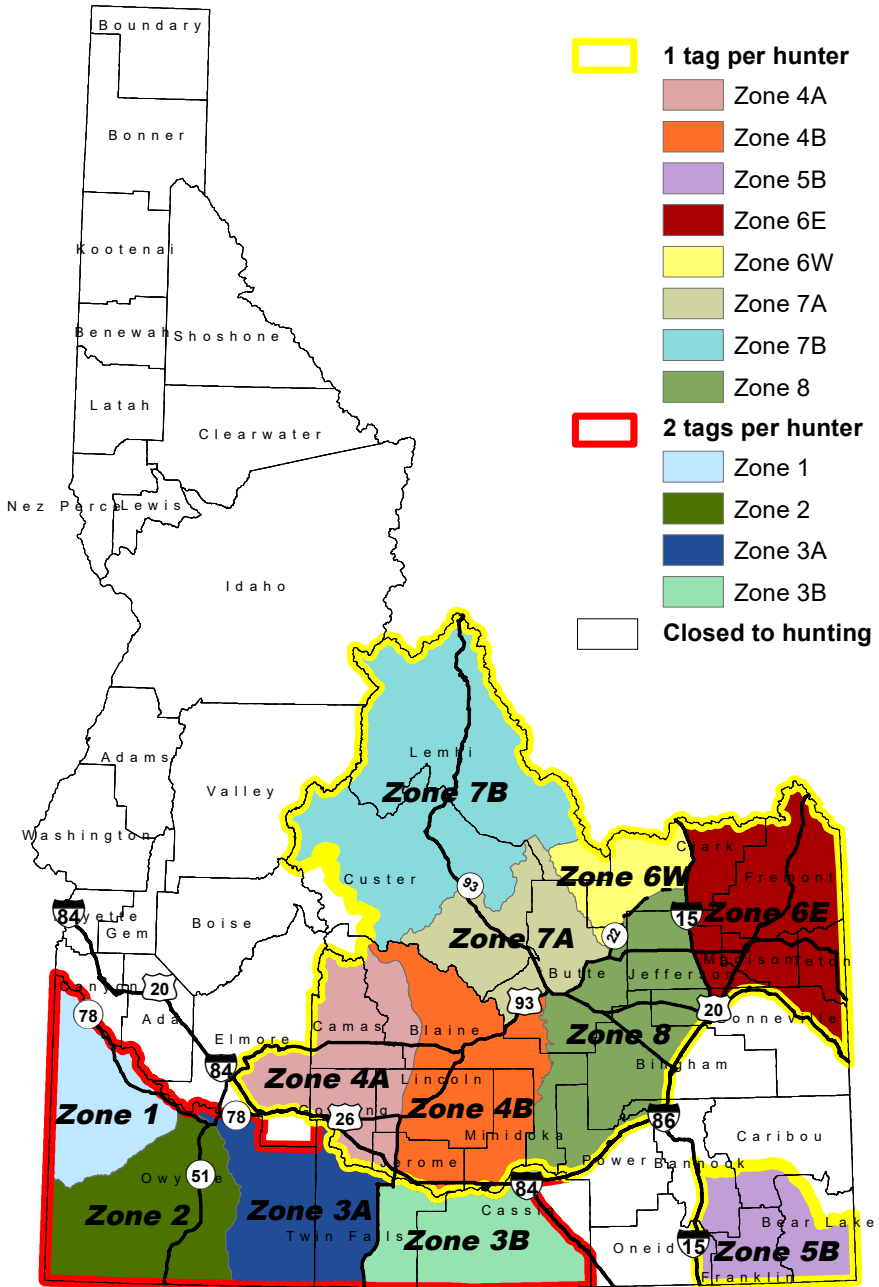


Sage-grouse

Refer to the 2020 & 2021 Upland Game, Furbearer and Turkey Seasons and Rules for general upland gamebird rules, license and permit information. See Pages 9 and 14-15 for important grouse identification information.



Zone Map



Wings

Wings provide important data for population monitoring. All tag holders will be mailed a postage-paid return envelope to submit one wing from each bird harvested.

Tag Fees

Resident Sage-Grouse Tag = \$22.75

Nonresident Sage-Grouse Tag = \$74.25

Tagging

Immediately after any sage-grouse is harvested, the tag must be validated and securely attached to the sage-grouse. The tag must remain attached until the place of final storage or consumption.

2021 Season	Zones	Daily Bag and Season Limit
Sept. 18 - Oct. 31	4A, 4B, 5B, 6E, 6W, 7A, 7B, 8	1
Sept. 18 - Oct. 31	1, 2, 3A, 3B	2
CLOSED	All parts of the state not included in zones 1-8	0

Zone	Tag Quota	Number of tags legal for purchase per hunter
1	40	2
2	300	2
3A	230	2
3B	190	2
4A	190	1
4B	120	1
5B	20	1
6E	220	1
6W	170	1
7A	110	1
7B	160	1
8	200	1



Sage-grouse Zone Descriptions

- Zone 1:** Owyhee County north and west of the Mud Flat-Juniper Mountain Road.
- Zone 2:** Owyhee County south of Mud Flat-Juniper Mountain Road and west of the Bruneau River.
- Zone 3A:** Owyhee County, east of the Bruneau River; and Twin Falls County west of US Highway 93.
- Zone 3B:** Cassia County west of Interstate 84 and north of Interstate 86; and Twin Falls County east of US Highway 93.
- Zone 4A:** Elmore County east and south of US Highway 20 and north of Interstate 84 from Exit 95 east to the county line; Gooding and Camas counties; Blaine, Lincoln, and Jerome counties west of US Highway 93 and State Highway 75.
- Zone 4B:** Lincoln and Jerome counties east of US Highway 93 and State Highway 75; Blaine County east of US Highway 93 and State Highway 75 and west of the eastern boundary of the Craters of the Moon National Monument; Minidoka County west of the Arco-Minidoka road; and Butte County west of the eastern boundary of the Craters of the Moon National Monument.
- Zone 5B:** Bear Lake County west of US Highway 30 and south of US Highway 89; Franklin County; Bannock County east of Interstate 15 and south of US Highway 30; and Oneida County east of Interstate 15.
- Zone 6E:** Teton, Madison, and Fremont counties; Jefferson and Clark counties east of Interstate 15; and that part of Bonneville County north of US Highway 26 and east of Interstate 15.
- Zone 6W:** Clark County west of Interstate 15 and northwest of State Highway 22; and those portions of Butte, Jefferson, and Lemhi counties within the Birch Creek drainage northwest of State Highway 22.
- Zone 7A:** The Big Lost River drainage upstream of State Highway 20/33 and the Little Lost River drainage upstream of State Highway 33.
- Zone 7B:** The Salmon, Pahsimeroi, and Lemhi river drainages.
- Zone 8:** Bingham, Bonneville, Jefferson counties west of Interstate 15; Power County north of Interstate 86; Blaine and Butte counties east of the eastern boundary of Craters of the Moon National Monument; and Clark County south of State Highway 22 and west of Interstate 15.



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